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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of State
Washington, DC 20520

Dear George:

Current Department of Defense policy allows individuals in possession of a valid U.S. Government-issued photographic identification card unescorted access to the Pentagon and other DoD-occupied buildings during normal duty hours. I am concerned that Soviet Bloc official personnel have been allowed unescorted access to these buildings through use of State Department diplomatic or other US Government-issued identification cards.

I have established a new policy that all Soviet Bloc official personnel will be allowed access only by prior appointment and with escort during the period of their visit.

I would appreciate it if you would inform the diplomatic establishments of the Soviet Bloc governments that, in the interest of strict reciprocity, access to the Pentagon and other DoD-occupied buildings in the National Capital Region for their official personnel will be permitted only by prior appointment and with escort during the period of their visit.

The new policy will be coordinated by the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. Ambassador Nolan has been consulted and will act on the policy when advised to do so.

Sincerely,

cc:
Director, CIA ✓
Director, FBI

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